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C O N F I D E N T I A L BRIDGETOWN 0996

KINGSTON FOR HEAVNER

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, BB  
SUBJ: MILITARY FACILITY NEGOTIATIONS

REFS: (A) STATE 102018, (B) BRIDGETOWN 970 (NOTAL)

1. UPON RECEIPT OF REFTEL (A), I PHONED PERMSEC IN MINEXTAFF  
A.W. SYMMONDS TO INFORM HIM THAT AN EXCEPTION TO NATIONAL  
SECURITY DISCLOSURE POLICY HAD BEEN GRANTED TO PERMIT CONFI-  
DENTIAL BRIEFING OF HIMSELF AND FOUR OTHER GOB OFFICIALS  
NAMED.

2. I ALSO INQUIRED OF SYMMONDS REGARDING THE MINISTRY'S  
PROMISED NOTE, PROPOSING AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEGOTIATIONS  
AND FURNISHING THE NAMES OF THE BARBADIAN NEGOTIATING TEAM.  
SYMMONDS REPLIED THAT THE AGENDA ITEMS WERE THE TWO ITEMS  
SET FORTH IN THE MINISTRY'S NOTE OF MARCH 23, VIZ. "PAYMENT  
OF COMPENSATION .... FOR THE USE OF CERTAIN FACILITIES  
IN BARBADOS," ETC., AND "FIXING THE AMOUNT OF COMPEN-  
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SATION WHICH SHOULD HAVE BEEN ARRANGED IN 1961." WITH  
REGARD TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE TEAM, HE INFORMED ME THAT  
THE GOB WAS HAVING SOME DIFFICULTY PUTTING IT TOGETHER AND  
WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE IN A POSITION TO LET US HAVE THE NAMES  
BEFORE MAY 6. IN ADDITION, HE SAID, SO LONG AS THE INFORMA-  
TION REQUESTED IN THE MINISTRY'S NOTE OF MARCH 30 HAS NOT  
BEEN PROVIDED, THERE WAS SOME DOUBT AS TO WHETHER THE GOB

WOULD BE ABLE TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS ON MAY 12. "WE DON'T WANT TO COME OUT OF THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH A LOSS OF FACE JUST BECAUSE WE DIDN'T HAVE THE INFORMATION WE NEEDED," HE EXPLAINED.

3. COMMENT: I DOUBT VERY MUCH THAT THE GOB IS REALLY PREPARED TO SEE THE BEGINNING OF THE NEGOTIATIONS POSTPONED INDEFINITELY. IN MY VIEW, SYMMONDS (WHO HAS NEVER BEEN VERY HELPFUL TO THE EMBASSY IN ANY CASE) IS SIMPLY TRYING TO GAIN A PSYCHOLOGICAL ADVANTAGE OVER US. END COMMENT.  
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